

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An illuminated writing implement comprising:

- (a) a substantially tubular body portion;
- (b) a substantially tubular head portion rotatably secured to said body portion;
- (c) a cap detachably secured to a top of said head portion;
- (d) a power source disposed in an interior of said head portion;
- (e) a light source disposed in an interior of said head portion and electrically coupled to said power source;
- (f) a display unit for displaying a time and date disposed on an outer surface of said head portion;
- (g) a switch electrically coupled to said power source for setting a mode of operation of said light source;
- (h) a switch electrically coupled to said display unit for setting a time and date to be displayed;
- (i) a focusing ring rotatably secured to said body portion;
- (j) a substantially conically-shaped lens disposed at a lower end of said body portion; and

(k) a marking element disposed in an interior of the illuminated writing implement, said marking element having a tip which protrudes through an opening provided in said lens;

wherein said light source produces a beam of visible light only when a pressure is applied to said tip, said beam of visible light being ~~which is~~ transmitted through said lens, wherein rotating said focusing ring narrows and broadens said beam of light and wherein rotating said head portion with respect to said body portion adjusts a brightness of said beam of light.

Claim 2 (Original): The illuminated writing implement according to claim 1, further comprising a substantially tubular cover detachably secured to and covering said body portion, said lens and said tip, said cover having a window disposed at a bottom end thereof, wherein said beam of light is transmitted through said window.

Claim 3 (Original): The illuminated writing implement according to claim 2, further comprising a message disposed on an outer surface of said body and on an outer surface of said cover.

Claim 4 (Canceled)

Claim 5 (Original): The illuminated writing implement according to claim 1, wherein said marking element comprises a pencil refill insert comprising a plurality of pencil point units and a spring, wherein said spring provides a force on said pencil refill insert such a point of a lowest individual pencil point unit protrudes through said lens.

Claim 6 (Original): The illuminated writing implement according to claim 1, wherein said marking element comprises a pen refill insert.

Claim 7 (Original): The illuminated writing implement according to claim 1, further comprising at least one eraser head disposed on top of said marking element.

Claim 8 (Original): The illuminated writing implement according to claim 1, further comprising a clip disposed on an outer surface of said head portion.

Claim 9 (Original): The illuminated writing implement of claim 8, further comprising a graphic image disposed on an outer surface of said clip.

Claim 10 (Original): The illuminated writing implement of

claim 1, wherein said display unit may be illuminated.

Claim 11 (Original): The illuminated writing implement of claim 1, wherein said display unit comprises a liquid crystal display.

Claim 12 (Original): The illuminated writing implement of claim 1, wherein said light source comprises an incandescent light bulb.

Claim 13 (Original): The illuminated writing implement of claim 1, wherein said light source comprises a light emitting diode.

Claim 14 (Original): The illuminated writing implement of claim 1, wherein said power source comprises a battery.

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